



Dog Kennel Hill Adventure Playground

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The site as existing

The site comprises a timber framed single storey adventure play centre built in the 1970s. The building has a main hall, craft room, kitchen, office and two toilets.

Planning permission has been granted to replace the existing centre with a larger L-shaped play centre in the south-eastern corner of the site (see overleaf).

Two huts (to be demolished as part of the planning permission for a larger centre) and a fire pit nestle in the NW corner of the site by the secondary entrance.

The site has two entrances: a main entrance used for daily access and one secondary entrance at the far western end of the site, occasionally used for out of hour's access by groups hiring the space.

The main entrance is across a large area of tarmac (the ballgames area). Five pieces outdoor gym equipment are installed north of the play centre.

The playground features a large play structure of wooden platforms, walkways and bridges at varying levels. The structure charmingly weaves through the area of the site which is dominated by trees. It includes several towers (highpoint The Shard), a play house, a climbing wall, two slides, fireman's poles and ladders. A trail of low level board walks weaves around the structure and adds additional connections and routes for games. Both structures are in need of repair (see play safety report). Some repairs have been completed since the report.

Three swings south of the current play centre will make way for the new centre.

A long zip line runs along the southern edge of the site, connecting the large play structure with the adventure swings.

A basket swing and two individual swings sit along the northern edge of the site. A sandpit nestles beside.

Trees are a dominant feature on the site, which is largely dominated by root protection areas (also from trees outside the site boundary).



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